## REMARKS

Claims 1-42 are pending in this application. The Examiner has restricted the claims to two groups: Group I -claims 1-36, drawn to a method for increasing gene transfer and expression in target cells; and Group II - claims 37-42, drawn to a method of inducing tumor cell regression. In response to the restriction requirement, applicant elects to prosecute claims 1-36 with traverse. Applicant submits that no separate search is required to search the non-elected group and requests reconsideration. In the event the requirement is maintained, claims 37-42 will be canceled upon indication of allowable subject matter.

A request for a three-month extension of time is being submitted in connection with this amendment; however, please consider this a request for any additional extension inadvertently omitted, and charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 26-0084.

Respectfully submitted,

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